

NOVEL CRYSTALLINE ION-ASSOCIATION SUBSTANCE,  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND POLYMERIZATION  
INITIATOR

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A polymerization initiator for cationically polymerizable organic substances which comprises a crystalline ion-association substance having such a unique property that it can initiate not only photopolymerization but thermal polymerization when used in polymerizing a cationically polymerizable organic substance. The crystalline ion-association substance is represented by the general formula (I):  $[\{C_5(R^1)_n\}_{2m}M_m]^{1+}[\{B(R^2)_4\}^-]_1$ .

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